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30 years later and how many "species" of windmills that don't work correctly, changing the habitat, windmills location, proximity of windmills to each other, perches, no perches, alternate perches, perch guards that are blown over, broken windmills, broken promises, new modern windmills, flight diverters, painted blades, disproportionate hit zones, painted blades, no birds reported missing, bad information. What's missing? Oh yeah signage, NO FLY ZONE.

Look, I'd love to see all of those windmills humming out there and at peace with the earth but that just hasn't been the case. Some of the best minds in the country have tried to find an answer to raptor hits, as have the windmill companies. If a windmill hits a raptor, bird, bat, or the cow that's jumping over the moon, it needs to be shut down after a fine for breaking the migratory Bird Treaty Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. and maybe the Lacey Act as well.

If there is any of the 4,000 windmills out there have no hits then keep them and send the others to the unemployment office or the relocation board. If there is only one left standing that has no hits after 30 years then let's make it our West Coast Statue of Liberty and just exchange the torch and put a windmill in her hand. I'm starting to tear up just thinking of all of the Golden Eagles flying around her.

Maybe we should leave the Altamont, pull off the blades and motors and leave the bases for our eagle, hawk, owl, and bat friends as perches and our way of saying sorry for the mass killings over the last 30 years but we really didn't know for most of the time.

There's the doorbell so I gotta run now, I'm expecting my tank less hot water heater and solar panels any moment. An alternate to the alternate. Hope he didn't hit any birds on the way over.

Bottom line is I think mandatory following of the Wind Energy Guidelines is essential as is staying out of migratory routes.
Thanks for listening.

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